

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY  
HISTORIC SITE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey #: P.G. #82B-13 Building Date: 1909  
Building Name: Brookfield United Methodist Church  
Location: Croom road at Candy Hill Road, Naylor, Maryland

Private/Religious/Occupied/Good/Restricted

Description:

The Brookfield United Methodist Church is a Gothic Revival rectangular frame building with a steeply pitched gable roof and two-story rectangular bell tower. The west facade, in the gable end, has a centered, large stained glass window composed of three pointed arch windows surmounted by three diamond shaped lights in a triangular formation. The arrangement has a plain wood surround, forming a large pointed arch design. The upper gable and the bell tower roof are covered with diamond-shaped wood shingles. The rest of the building is covered with horizontal wood siding. The entrance is through the west side of the bell tower. The tower has a dentiled cornice, mansard roof, and an open bellcote surmounted by a pyramidal roof with a pointed finial. The north and south facades of the church are four-bays, marked by commemorative stained glass 3/2 windows with triangular heads. Both facades have centered interior brick stove pipe chimneys. The east gable end has a one-and-one-half story steeply pitched gable roof addition of two bays. There are eight gravestones to the east of the church, shaded by large maple trees. There is a rectangular 3 x 4 bay gable roofed hall south of the church.

Significance:

The Brookfield United Methodist Church derives its name from "Brookfield", the original land patent upon which the church and cemetery are located. The land for the church was deeded to church trustees in 1886 by William E. and Mary Duvall. William E. Duvall was listed as one of the church trustees. The present building has a marble corner stone reading "Brookfield Chapel 1886 Rebuilt 1909." According to a life-long resident of the area, the original chapel was a long building with vestibule and church under one roof, facing Candy Hill Road. That structure was torn down and the present one built. A Methodist minister served a stop in Horsehead and Nottingham as early as 1794. The earliest record of Brookfield's congregation is 1877. Church records show that the congregation was drawn from the long-standing Emory Chapel and Nottingham congregations at a time when they both were lacking a meeting place. Brookfield Church is an attractive example of Gothic Revival architecture, and a local landmark. Sited on Route 382, in good repair and painted white, it dominates its corner location. Since its construction in 1909 it has housed a local Methodist congregation.

Acreage: 3.34

# Maryland Historical Trust

## State Historic Sites Inventory Form

### 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Brookfield Chapel

and/or common Brookfield United Methodist Church

### 2. Location

street & number Corner of Croom Road and Candy Hill Road    not for publicationcity, town Naylor    vicinity of    congressional district 4state Maryland    county Prince George's

### 3. Classification

<b>Category</b>	<b>Ownership</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Present Use</b>	
<u>  </u> district	<u>  </u> public	<u>  X</u> occupied	<u>  </u> agriculture	<u>  </u> museum
<u>  X</u> building(s)	<u>  X</u> private	<u>  </u> unoccupied	<u>  </u> commercial	<u>  </u> park
<u>  </u> structure	<u>  </u> both	<u>  </u> work in progress	<u>  </u> educational	<u>  </u> private residence
<u>  </u> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<u>  </u> entertainment	<u>  X</u> religious
<u>  </u> object	<u>  </u> in process	<u>  X</u> yes: restricted	<u>  </u> government	<u>  </u> scientific
	<u>  </u> being considered	<u>  </u> yes: unrestricted	<u>  </u> industrial	<u>  </u> transportation
	<u>  X</u> not applicable	<u>  </u> no	<u>  </u> military	<u>  </u> other:

### 4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Brookfield United Methodist Church - Trustees

street & number Croom Road at Candy Hill    telephone no.:   city, town    state and zip code   

### 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. P.G. Co. Courthouse    liber JWB 7street & number Main Street    folio 304city, town Upper Marlboro    state Maryland

### 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title P.G. Co. Inventory of Historic Sites

date 1972    federal    state   X county    local

Jepository for survey records History Division M-NCPPC

city, town Riverdale,    state Md.

## 7. Description

Survey No. P.G. 82-B13

### Condition

☐ excellent

☒ good

☐ fair

☐ deteriorated

☐ ruins

☐ unexposed

### Check one

☒ unaltered

☐ altered

### Check one

☐ original site

☐ moved

date of move \_\_\_\_\_

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Brookfield United Methodist Church is Gothic Revival in style. It is a rectangular frame building with a steeply pitched gable roof and a two-story rectangular bell tower at its southwest corner.

The west (front) facade is in the gable end. A large stained glass window is centered on the facade. The window is composed of three adjoining pointed arch vertical windows surmounted by three diamond shaped lights in a triangular formation. The whole arrangement is surrounded by a plain wood surround to form one large pointed arch design. Windows throughout the building are stained glass, commemorative windows.

The upper gable is covered with diamond-shaped wood shingles in a sawtooth pattern. The rest of the building is covered with narrow horizontal siding.

The church entrance is through the west side of the bell tower. The entrance is a double, six panel door topped by a triangular three-light stained glass transom. There is a narrow, dentiled cornice between the doors and the transom.

The tower has a dentiled cornice below a mansard wood shingled roof with a bell-cast profile. The mansard is topped by an open bellcote, which is surmounted by a pyramidal wood shingled roof with a pointed finial. The wooden roof shingles are diamond shaped, set in a sawtooth pattern identical to that in the front gable end.

The north and south facades of the church are four-bays, marked by stained glass 3/2 double hung sash windows with triangular heads. Both facades have centered interior brick stove pipe chimneys. The east gable end has a one-and-one-half story steeply pitched gable roof addition of two bays.

The church is on a poured-concrete foundation with a marble corner stone at the southwest corner reading "Brookfield Chapel 1886, rebuilt 1909". It has deep, bracketed eaves. Two corner brackets mark the cornice line in the gable ends.

## 8. Significance

Survey No. PG:82B-13

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other (specify) local history

### Specific dates

### Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D  
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☐ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Brookfield United Methodist Church derives its name from "Brookfield", the original land patent upon which the church and cemetery are located.<sup>1</sup> The land for the church was deeded to the trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church South on October 7, 1886 by William E. and Mary Duvall for \$1.00, "to be used as a place of Divine Worship and cemetery." William E. Duvall was listed as one of the Trustees of the Church.<sup>2</sup>

The present church building has a marble cornerstone reading "Brookfield Chapel 1886 Rebuilt 1909." According to a lifelong resident of the area, the church used to be one long building, the vestibule and church all under one roof, facing Candy Hill Road. That structure was torn down and the present structure built in 1909.<sup>3</sup>

A Methodist circuit minister was visiting congregations in Horsehead and Nottingham as early as 1794.<sup>4</sup> The earliest record in the Methodist Episcopal South Register for the Brookfield congregation is 1877. The congregation apparently was drawn from Emory Chapel and Nottingham congregations. Nottingham apparently lost its Methodist church in or before 1876.<sup>5</sup> Emory Chapel, located near Horsehead, was abandoned in 1879 because it needed extensive repairs.<sup>6</sup> The Brookfield Chapel congregation was formed from two very long standing Methodist congregations at a time when they both lacked a meeting place.

Brookfield Church is an attractive example of Gothic Revival architecture, and a local landmark. Sited directly on Route 382 (Croom Road), being in good repair and painted white, it dominates its corner location. Since its construction in 1909 it has housed a local Methodist congregation.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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See Footnotes, section #8

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 3.34 acresQuadrangle name Lower Marlboro A

TM138, Parcel 68

Quadrangle scale \_\_\_\_\_

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

A 

Zone	Easting				Northing				

B 

Zone	Easting				Northing				

C 

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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## 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Marina King, Architectural Historianorganization P.G. Co., Historic Preservation Commission date April 1985street & number CAB, County Planning, MNCPPC telephone \_\_\_\_\_city or town Upper Marlboro, state Md.

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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Shaw House  
21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 269-2438

## #7. Continued

The church is situated directly on Highway 381. The original property boundaries, deeded to church trustees in 1886, fronted 90 yards on the present Candy Hill Road and 50 yards on the present Croom Road. The church is surrounded by a grassy yard. There is no parking lot on the grounds. There is a hall immediately south of the church, sited parallel to it. The hall is similar to the church in form, being a one-story rectangular building with a west gable end. The hall is sided with wood-grained asbestos shingles painted white. It is roofed with standing-seam metal and rests on cement piers. The crawl space beneath the building is enclosed by an asbestos or particle board covering between the cement support piers. The west gable end is three bays. It has a central double entrance of two five-panel doors flanked by two 6/6 windows. There is a metal awning shading the first story. There is a 4-light diamond shaped window centered in the upper gable. The door and windows have wide wood surrounds. The north and south sides of the building are four bays of 6/6 windows. There is a double 6/6 window on the hall's east end. There are projecting rafter ends down the north and south sides of the building, and overhanging eaves. Between the church and the hall are two large maple trees. There are two more large trees, an oak and a maple, shading the graveyard to the east of the church. There are eight graves in the church yard, the earliest dating to 1914 and the latest to 1977.

#8. Continued

Notes

1 Brookfield United Methodist Church Homecoming, October 30, 1982.  
Pamphlet by Sandra Cross.

2 Prince George's County Deeds, JWB 7:304.

3 Ibid. Footnote 1. Conversation with Mrs. Burns Wilson, March 1975.

4 "Centennial Celebration." Pamphlet by Immanuel United Methodist Church, 17400 Aquasco Road, Brandywine, Maryland 20613.

5 Ibid. Footnote 1. Prince George's Circuit Methodist Episcopal Church South Register 1876-1899. At the Maryland Hall of Records.

6 Ibid. Footnote 4.

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P.A. #82B-13

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM

for the

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

<b>1. NAME</b>				
COMMON:				
Brookfield United Methodist Church				
AND/OR HISTORIC:				
Brookfield Methodist Episcopal Church				
<b>2. LOCATION</b>				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
Rte. 382 and Naylor-North Keys Road				
CITY OR TOWN:				
Baden				
STATE:		COUNTY:		
Maryland		Prince George's		
<b>3. CLASSIFICATION</b>				
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object		<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
		Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered		ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/> Government	<input type="checkbox"/> Park	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Religious		
<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific		
<b>4. OWNER OF PROPERTY</b>				
OWNER'S NAME:				
Trustees of Brookfield U.M. Church				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
Rte. 382 and Naylor-North Keys Road				
CITY OR TOWN:		STATE:		
Baden		Maryland		
<b>5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION</b>				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:				
Prince George's County Courthouse				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN:		STATE:		
Upper Marlboro		Maryland		
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):				
<b>6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS</b>				
TITLE OF SURVEY:				
None				
DATE OF SURVEY:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN:		STATE:		



7. DESCRIPTION	
CONDITION	(Check One)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> Ruins <input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div>(Check One)</div> <div>(Check One)</div> </div> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered <input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered <input type="checkbox"/> Moved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE	
<p>The church is a frame structure with a gabled facade. The facade window has a triangular head and three double hung sash lights. The side windows also have triangular heads. The gable is shingled with a saw-tooth pattern. To the south is a porch tower with a triangular headed doorway. The open bellcote rising above a bracketed cornice has a pyramidal roof.</p>	

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## 8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

☐ Pre-Columbian☐ 16th Century☐ 18th Century☒ 20th Century☐ 15th Century☐ 17th Century☒ 19th Century (Site)

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1909; original building 1886

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Aboriginal

☐ Prehistoric☐ Historic☐ Agriculture☐ Architecture☐ Art☐ Commerce☐ Communications☐ Conservation☐ Education☐ Engineering☐ Industry☐ Invention☐ Landscape☐ Architecture☐ Literature☐ Military☐ Music☐ Political☐ Religion/Phi-

lasophy

☐ Science☐ Sculpture☐ Social/Human-

itarian

☐ Theater☐ Transportation☐ Urban Planning☐ Other (Specify)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

## 9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

## 10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
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SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

## 11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:

Christopher Owens, Park Historian

ORGANIZATION

MNCPPC

DATE

5 Sept 74

STREET AND NUMBER:

8787 Georgia Avenue

CITY OR TOWN:

Silver Spring

STATE

Maryland

## 12.

State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Signature

Chain of Title

Brookfield Church at Naylor  
P.G. #82B-13

4987:320  
16 Aug. 1978  
Deed

Anona D. Duvall, surviving joint tenant by the entirety of Joseph B. Duvall, Jr. to Benjamin Richards, Jerry Sweeney, John Halterman, Otha Sweeney, Claude McKee, Eldon Baldwin, Niles Blackwell, Donald Kniffen and David Morend as Trustees for the United Methodist Church, 3 acres, part of the land conveyed to Duvall by 384:209. (Noted in the metes and bounds: "on the north line of the trustees of the Brookfield Methodist Church JWB #7:304.)

JWB 7:304  
7 Oct. 1886  
Deed

William E. Duvall and Mary E. Duvall, his wife, to Trueman Rawlings, E.P. Martin, Fulton C. Gibbins, Mattie Kaldentach, William E. Duvall, trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church South a lot or parcel (with- in the following metes and bounds):

North side of road North Key's to Nottingham; east side of road from Sosicer's Creek pass William E. Duvall's dwelling house toward Croom. In fork of above road from North Key's to Nottingham in an easterly direction ninety yards, northerly direction and parallel with the road running from S. Creek towards Croom fifty yards thence in a westerly direction and parallel with the first line ninety yards to road leading to Croom then south to beginning.

Trustees shall hold the above lot of ground as a place of Divine Worship and a cemetery for the congregation worshiping upon said premises.

DAVID D.  
DUVALL  
5354/441  
5.30 A.  
P.70

ANONA D. DUVALL  
384/209  
46.48 A  
P/O P.38

O-S

M.137  
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62A  
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R E  
GRACE

5263  
863  
2.38  
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MAP 137-P.31

NAYLOR

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JAMES B NAYLOR  
52/062  
3.00A P.21

4987/320  
3.00 A  
P.68

CANDY

2.81 A.  
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M.145  
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M.138-P.44

5800/239  
4.49 A.  
P.34

BOARD OF ED  
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8A.  
P.29

BOARD OF ED

JAMES A HALL  
4235/144  
26.70A.  
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1.43A  
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SAMUEL R.  
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JOSEPH B. DUVALL  
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ALVIN A.  
TURNER  
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EDWARD L.  
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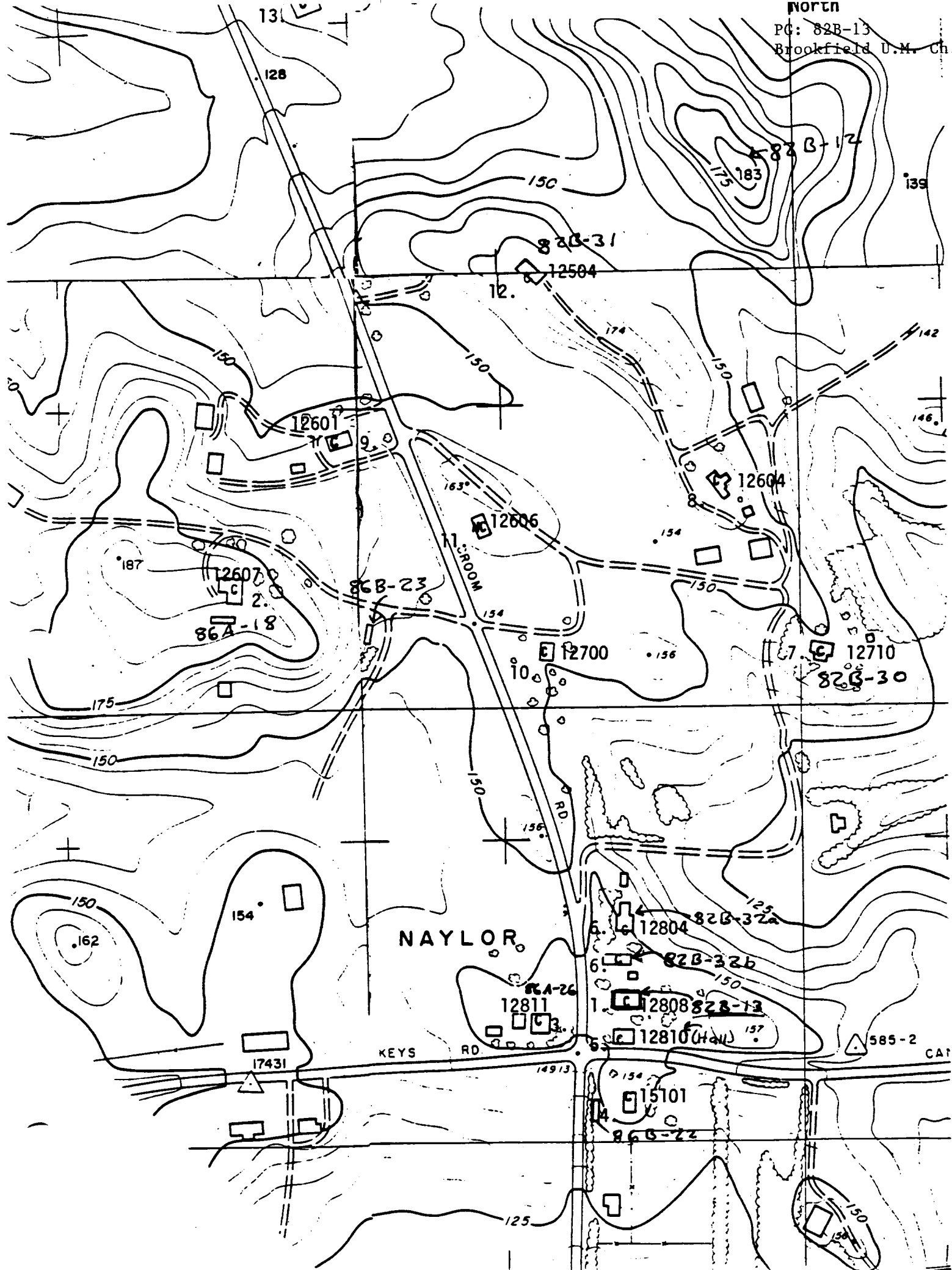
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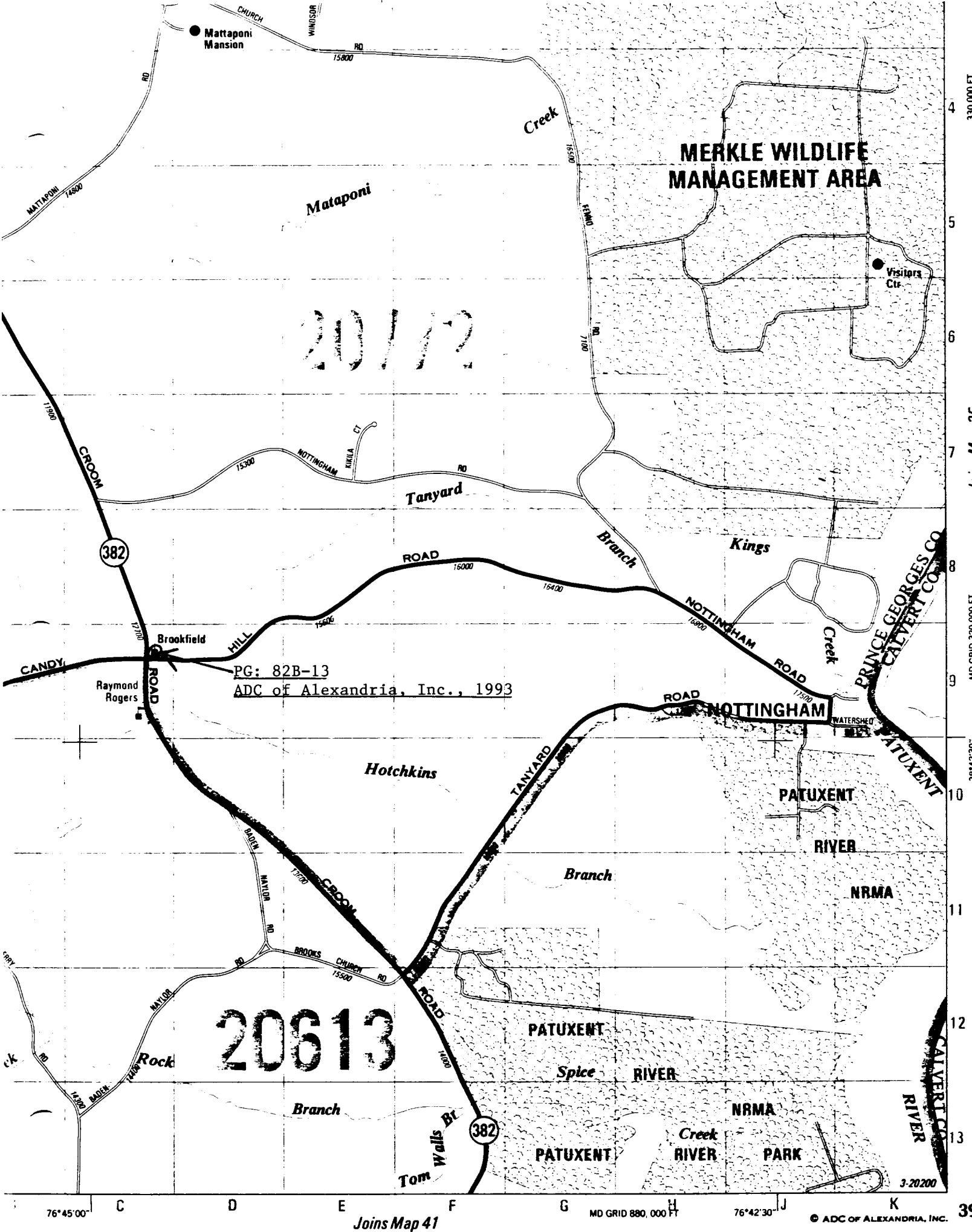
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MERKLE WILDLIFE  
MANAGEMENT AREA

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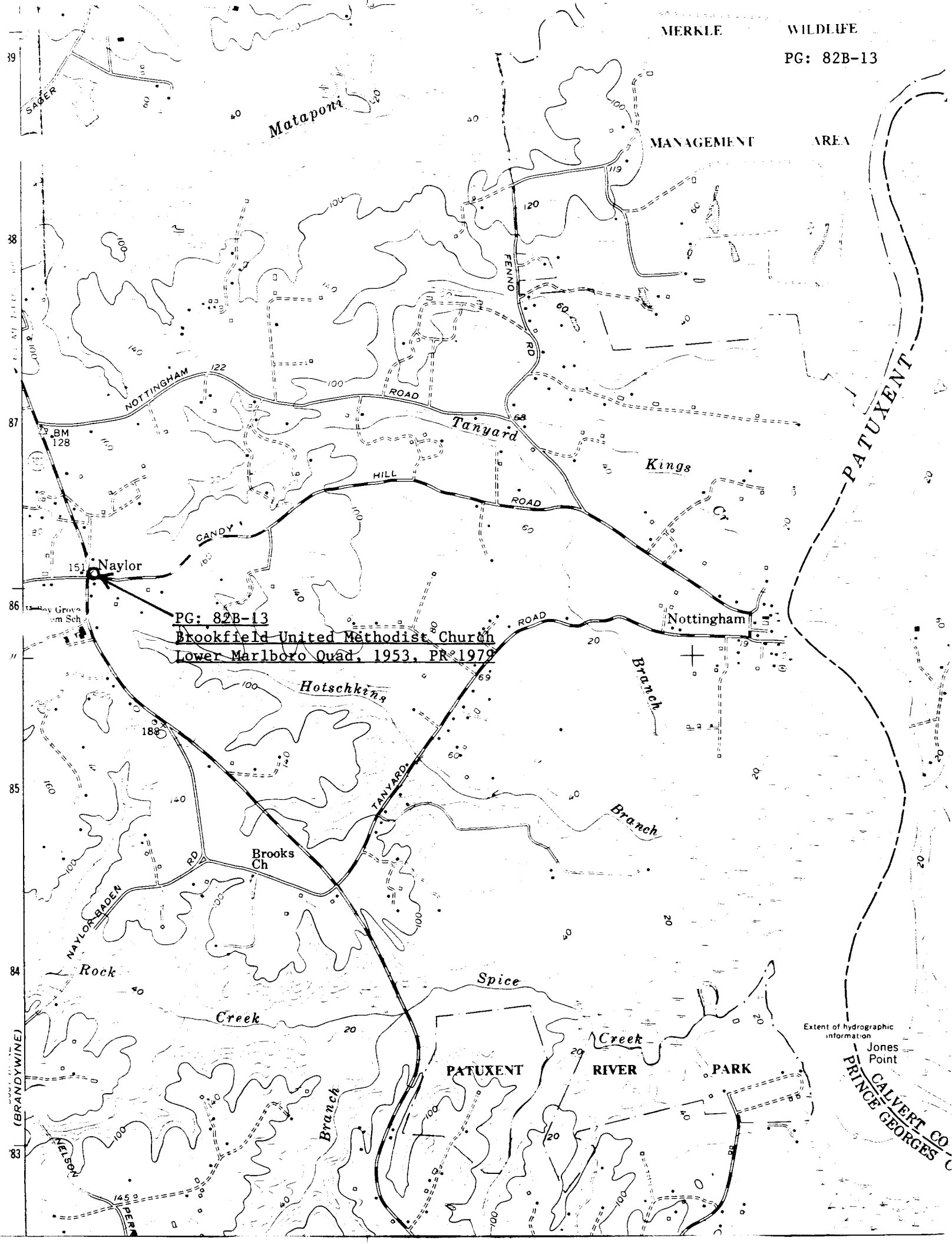
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 Brookfield United Methodist Church  
 Lower Marlboro Quad, 1953, PR 1979

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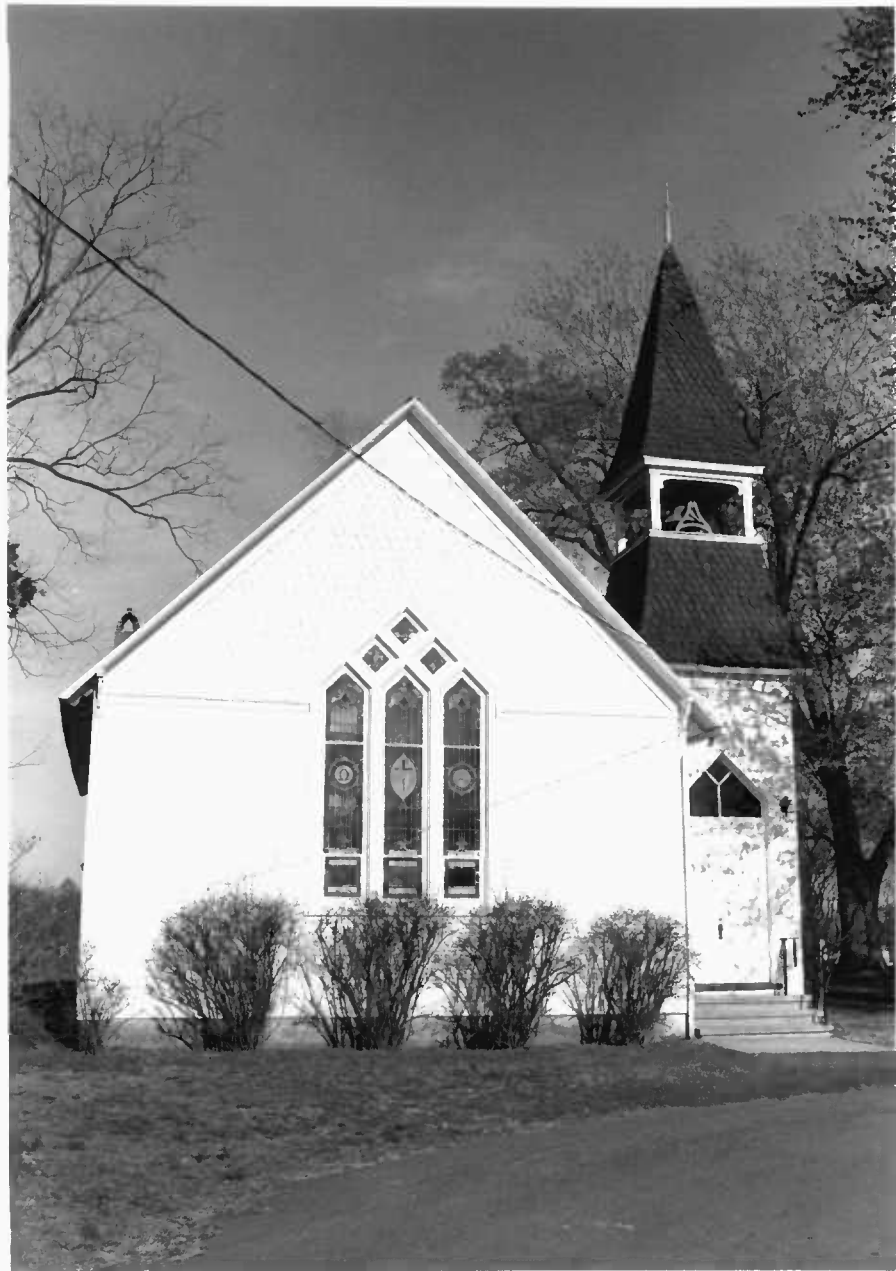
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 PRINCE GEORGES CO.





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Brookfield Chapel  
Prince George's County, MD.  
Marina King  
April 1985  
North elevation  
Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD.



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Brookfield Chapel

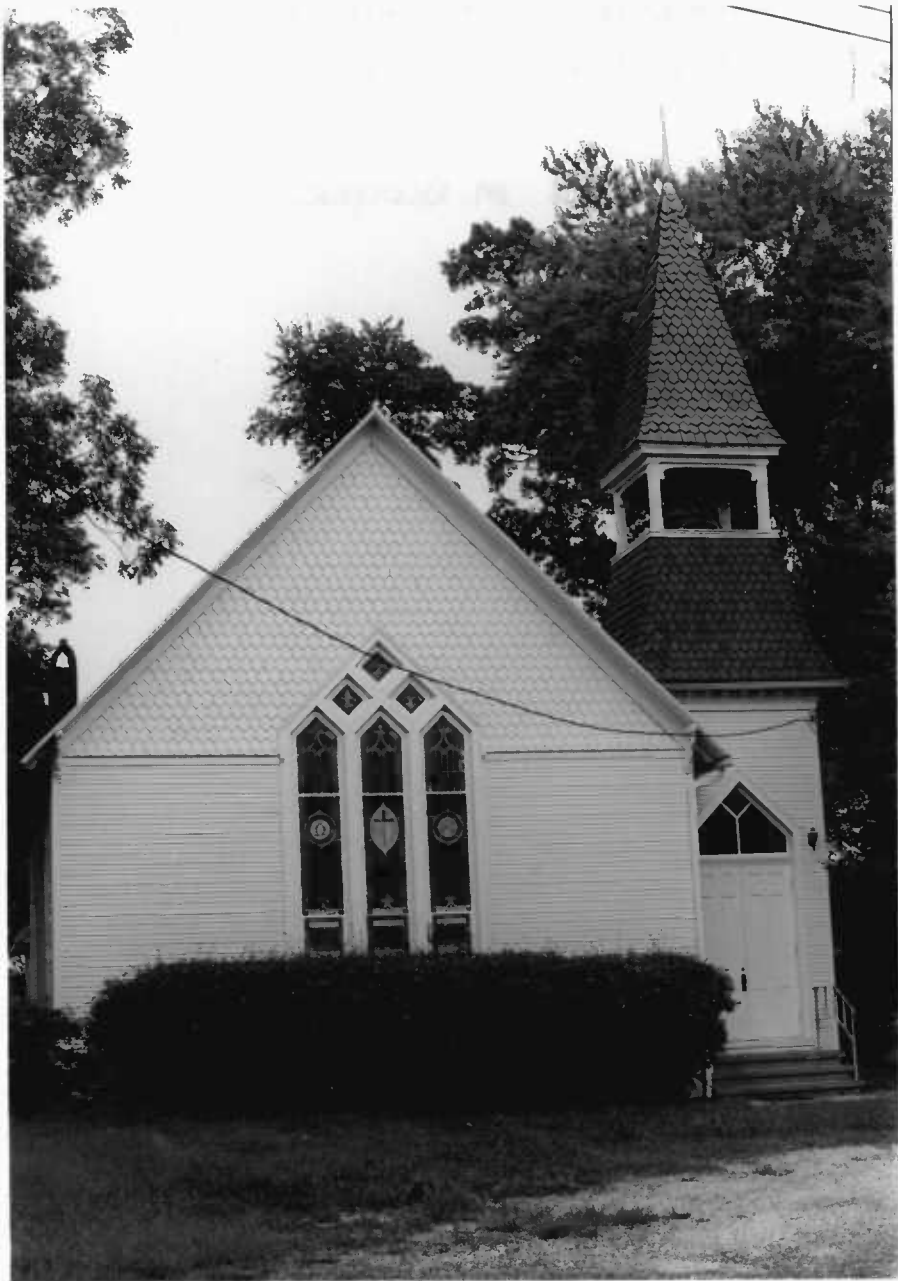
Prince George's county, MD.

Marina King

April 1985

West elevation

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NAME BROOKFIELD U.M. CHURCH

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